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  \$ IBM Corporation  
Title: System and Method             \$ Software Group IP Law - T81/503  
      for Using Shading               \$ 3039 Cornwallis Road  
      Layers and Highlighting         \$ Research Triangle Park, NC 27709  
      to Navigate a Tree View         \$  
      Display

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reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

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Assignee Name: **International Business Machines Corporation**

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

Inventors: **Barksdale, et al.**

For: **System and Method for Using Shading Layers and Highlighting to Navigate a Tree View Display**

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**X** Amendment and Response to Office Action (19 pages)

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